

MINUTES

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

April 10, 2014

Public Session

I **CALL TO ORDER**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:15 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3rd) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS		PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
President	Arthur F Margiotta, RA	(X)	()	()
Vice President	Nicholas J. Netta, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Obiora Agudosi, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Diane Goté, CID	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Kishor Y Joshi, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Louis J Mraw	()	()	(X)
	Government Member			
Board Member	Richard Picatagi, LLA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Michael G. Soriano, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Albert Zacccone, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Architect Member			
Board Member	Landscape Architect Member			
Board Member	Vacant - Public Member			
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OTHERS PRESENT: B. Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Charles Kirk, Acting Executive Director of the Board of Architects; Margaret Hinkley, Secretary to Executive Director of the Board of Architects; Joseph Abello III and Beverly Rankin of the Board of Architects; and Karl Reidel, Executive Director of the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

ALSO PRESENT: Elizabeth Greenblatt, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs

II **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The statement required by Chapter 231, public laws of 1975, the "Open Public Meetings Act," was read and it was announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board of Architects and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark *Star-Ledger*, the Trenton *Times*, the Camden *Courier-Post*, the *Record* and the Atlantic City *Press*.

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III APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 13, 2014

Editorial changes were made to pages two and four.

ACTION: Mr. Zaccone motioned to approve of the minutes as amended. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements made

V OLD BUSINESS

Some Board members inquired as to the status of the Continuing Education Audit for Architects. Mr. Kirk advised that over 500 responses have been received and are currently being reviewed by staff and categorized as having met the continuing education, possible shortage of continuing education credits and waiver requests which the Board will review at a future meeting. Also a second letter will be mailed to all individuals who have not responded to the first letter concerning the continuing education audit.

VI NEW BUSINESS

A Landscape Architect Continuing Education Course review report

APPROVED

The following courses are offered by Red Vector:

ADA Guidelines 2010: Accessible Routes - approved for 1 hour

ADA Guidelines 2010: Achievable Barrier Removal and Accessibility - approved for 1 hour

ADA Guidelines 2010: Building Blocks - approved for 1 hour

ADA Guidelines 2010: Communication Elements and Features - approved for 1 hour

ADA Guidelines 2010: General Site and Building Elements - approved for 1 hour

ADA Guidelines 2010: Small Towns - approved for 1 hour

Building a Sustainable Future - approved for 1 hour

Flood Mitigation and Special Flood Hazard Areas - approved for 1 hour

Green Infrastructure 2: Best Practices for Site Assessment - approved for 1 hour

Green Infrastructure 6: Best Practices for Stormwater Management - approved for 3 hours

Green Infrastructure 7: Best Practices for Landscape - approved for 3 hours

LEED V4 and the Future of Green Webcast - approved for 1 hour

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Making the Flood Zone Determination - approved for 3 hours
Modern Environmental Laws Webcast - approved for 3 hours
Phytotechnologies: Using Plants to Clean Up Webcast - approved for 3 hours
Storm Drain Inlets - Part 1 -Overview & Grates - approved for 2 hours
Storm Drain Inlets - Part 2 - Capacity of Curb Openings and Combinations - approved for 1 hour
Storm Drain Inlets - Part 3 - Capacity of Inlets in Sags - approved for 1 hour
Storm Drain Inlets - Part 4 - Inlet Location & Spacing - approved for 1 hour
Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities - approved for 2 hours
Stormwater Harvesting: A Green Concept - approved for 3 hours
Stormwater Management: Low Impact Development - approved for 3 hours
Sustainable Solutions: Human Health and Well-Being - approved for 1 hour
Sustainable Solutions: Invasive Species - approved for 1 hour
Sustainable Solutions: Loss of Biodiversity - approved for 1 hour
Sustainable Solutions: Urban Flooding and Water Pollution - approved for 1 hour
Sustainable Solutions: Water Shortage - approved for 1 hour
The Sustainable Site Design Process - approved for 1 hour
Ethics: Shades of Green Webcast - approved for 3 hours
Designing for Crime Prevention Webcast - approved for 2 hours
Deconstruction and Reuse: Sustainable Construction in Reverse Webcast - approved for 2 hours
Irrigation Practices for Commercial and Residential Sites Webcast - approved for 2 hours
Coastal Engineering: Storm Surge - approved for 1 hour
Coastal Engineering: Tides - approved for 2 hours
Coastal Geology: Terminology & Geologic Environments - approved for 2 hours
Green Infrastructure 3: Best Practices for Streetscape - approved for 2 hours
Introduction to Mineral Soils - approved for 1 hour
Regenerative Landscape Design: Shelters - approved for 3 hours
Regenerative Landscape Design: Solar Heating & IAQ - approved for 2 hours
Regenerative Landscape Design: Sustainability - approved for 2 hours
Regenerative Landscape Design: Water Conservation - approved for 2 hours
Parking Lot Storm Drain Design - approved for 2 hours
Runoff Analysis using the SCS Method - Part 2 - approved for 2 hours
Stormwater Management: An Introduction - approved for 2 hours
Wetland Delineation 1: The Basics - approved for 2 hours
Wetland Delineation 2: Methodology - approved for 4 hours

Assessing & Reassessing Ecological Design - 1/16 & 1/17 2014 offered by New Directions in the American Landscape - approved for total of 12 hours (6 per day)

Successful Strategies for Preserving Tree Canopy in our Communities offered by Morris Arboretum - March 11, 2014 - approved for 5 hours

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Complying with ADA Standards for Accessible Design - 4/2/2014 offered by Half Moon - approved for 7 hours

DENIED

Landscaping with Native Plants offered by Red Vector - course is too basic

Sustainable Solutions: Air Pollution offered by Red Vector - unrelated to landscape architecture

Mechanically Stabilized Earth Structures - Parts 2 & 3 - Information for Parts 2 & 3 is the same as for Part 1

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve the above courses as noted. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

B Correspondence

- 1 Copy of a March 17th e-mail from Kathy Hillegas of NCARB concerning the proposed IDP changes regarding six-month rule is attached for Board review.

ACTION: Mr. Soriano motioned to support the proposal revising the six-month rule. Also the Board suggests changing the word “beyond” to “prior” which would provide a better clarification. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously

- 2 Copy of a March 27th e-mail from Kathy Hillegas of NCARB pertaining to the final response to the Texas Society of Architects regarding their White Paper “The Path to Architectural Licensure”. A copy of the response is attached for Board review.

ACTION: Duly noted.

- 3 Attached is a copy of a letter dated April 8, 2014 addressed to the Board President from Richard Jacobs concerning the Building Design Services Act. DCA Bulletin 96-2 is also attached for Board information.

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing the submitted information, Mr. Zacccone motioned to send a letter to Mr. Jacobs requesting he provide specific information regarding the project, if known. As well as advise him that his letter is being forwarded to the Department of Community Affairs, who has jurisdiction over the construction officials in New Jersey. Also send a letter to the Department of Community Affairs informing them that Bulletin 96-2 contains outdated information and needs to be revised and updated. Mr. Netta seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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C Legislation

A-2460 - waives certain professional and occupational licensing fees for veterans and spouses of veterans is attached for Board review

ACTION: Elizabeth Greenblatt, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs was present to hear the Board's comments on this bill. Some of the comments were that the words "initial" should be placed before license fee; definition of "spouse" should be added and to clarify whether civil unions and same sex marriages would be recognized; require individuals to pay \$40 the cost for seal press, which is covered in the applicant's initial licensing fee.

VII REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

A. Applications for Licensure by Credentials

The following individuals have applied for licensure by credentials, have met board requirements and are recommended for licensure:

* - NCARB Council Record Holder

Jason Gant*
Edward Shriver*
Alkananda Surpur*
Erick Gulke*
Wasti Syed*
Mayberry, John*
Enik Mehmeti
Brian O'Connor*
Brian Callahan*

Keith Hayes*
Dina Snider*
Roderick Wolfson*
Todd Wambach*
Stephen Hoffman*
McKay, Michael*
Adela Pierson
Thomas Senger*
Eric Olds

Michael Chatham*
Rebekah Dunbar*
Doron Rice*
Michel DeTurck*
Jonathan Tate*
Martine, John*
John Wert
Guido Hartray*
Niall Cain

ACTION: Mr. Netta motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure by credentials. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

BOARD REVIEWED

Zebulon Nelessen*+

ACTION: Mr. Netta motioned to approve Mr. Nelessen for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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B. Applications for Examination

The following applicant/s applied for admission to the Architectural Registration Examination and are recommended by staff:

Eva K Peragallo

Christopher Brand

Scott W Nicholl

Kristy Schultz

Alyssa M Rosellini

Ryan Headd

Diogo F Santos - PE

ACTION: Mr. Netta motioned to approve the above individuals to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Agudosi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

C Licensure by Examination

The following applicant/s have completed all Divisions of the Architectural Registration Examination and are submitted to the Board for licensure:

Angela Harris

Dominick A Termini

ACTION: Mr. Netta motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure inasmuch as they have completed the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VIII LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW

A Initial Licensure by examination: LARE taken

The following individual has submitted a completed application for licensure inasmuch she has already completed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) and is recommended for licensure.

* - CLARB Council Record Holder

Alec P Shissias*

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to license Mr. Shissias inasmuch as he has complied with the requirements for licensure. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

BOARD REVIEWED

Nichol E Welsh*+

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to license Ms. Welsh inasmuch as he has complied with the requirements for licensure. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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B Licensure without examination:

The following individuals submit completed applications for licensure without examination and are recommended for licensure. * - CLARB Council Record Holder

Alexander, Jeffrey*

Golde, Robert*

Stern, Michael A*

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to license the above individuals inasmuch as they have complied with the requirements for licensure without examination. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

C Certificate/s of Authorization

The following firms have submitted completed applications for a Certificate of Authorization and are recommended for approval.

1 CDI ARCHITECTS GROUP LLC

Landscape Architecture

380 Foothill Road
Bridgewater NJ 08807

Responsible Landscape Architect: Carolyn E DuBois - License #AS001169

2 MICHAEL VERGASON LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, LTD

Landscape Architecture

1102 King Street - 2nd Flr
Alexandria VA 22314

Responsible Landscape Architect: Edwin M Vergason - License #AS001167

3 W. DENNIS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, LLC

Landscape Architecture

502 Buckingham Circle
Middletown NJ 07748

Responsible Landscape Architect: William Dennis - License #AS001146

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to above three firms. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

IX CLOSED CASES

The Board closed the following case at today's meeting:

- 1 ITEM NO. 97218 - HERNANDEZ, Roberto A - AI018706
- 2 ITEM NO. 97247 - HARPER, Harry S Jr. - AI008900

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X PUBLIC COMMENTS

Seeing no one present from the public, Mr. Margiotta proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

XI EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Soriano motioned to go into executive session to review the minutes and other items on the executive session agenda. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

XII NEXT MEETINGS

May 8, 2014	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 rd Floor
Investigative inquiry with the respondent pertaining to ITEM NO. 97203 @ 10am		
Investigative inquiry with the co-respondent pertaining to ITEM NO. 97203 @ 11am		

June 12, 2014	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 rd Floor
Investigative inquiry with the respondent pertaining to ITEM NO. 96755 @ 11am		

XIII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2pm